

Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 6, line 19 with the following rewritten paragraph:

--Figure 2 is a schematic right side elevation of the laminator 10 showing embossing belts 110 with an embossing mark 115 (not shown) thereon for creating an identifying mark 390 (not shown) or thermal mark 190 (not shown) on a pre-press proof 200 (not shown) along with the upper lamination roller 120 and lower lamination roller 130 which along with said embossing belts 110 convey media to be laminated through the laminator 10. Media to be bonded or laminated passes between the embossing belts 110 and it should be noted, that only one of the belts needs to be an embossing belt 110. The embossing belt 110 and embossing mark 115 are shown in more detail in Figure 7. Preferably the identifying mark 390 is a thermal mark 190, a pressure mark 195, or both. Upper lamination roller 120 and lower lamination roller 130 provide heat and pressure to laminate the desired media together. This configuration with upper lamination roller 120 and lower lamination roller 130 is called a "straight-through" laminator. Although the illustrated embodiments show both the upper lamination roller 120 and lower lamination roller 130 as heated pressure rollers, it also should be recognized that only one of the upper lamination roller 120 and lower lamination roller 130, could be heated. It is further recognized that both upper lamination roller 120 and lower lamination roller 130 do not have to be heated for cold lamination applications.--

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 8, line 21 with the following rewritten paragraph:

--Additionally, it is contemplated that the image 290 formed on imaged receiver sheet 140 can be either monochrome or a multi-colored, that the image 290 of the imaged receiver sheet 140 can be an inkjet generated imaged, that the print layer 300, first print layer 304, and second print layer 308 have a thickness between 1 and 75 microns, and that the glossing sheet 220 can be made from a sheet of plastic 360 or from a recycled support layer 370.--

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 8, line 30 with the following rewritten paragraph:

--The invention also relates to a laminator 10 for forming a pre-press proof 200 having an identifying mark 190 or thermal mark 390 comprising an upper lamination roller located on a first side of a media passage; a lower lamination roller located on a second side of the media passage so as to oppose the upper roller, wherein a nip portion is defined between the upper lamination and lower lamination rollers so as to apply pressure to media in the media passage which passes through the nip portion; wherein at least one of the upper lamination and lower lamination rollers is a solid roller; at least one embossing belt 110; and wherein the embossing belt 110 creates an identifying mark 390 on a pre press proof upon passing of the pre-press proof through the laminator 10.--

Please replace the Parts List beginning on page 10 with the following rewritten Parts List:

PARTS LIST

- 10. Laminator
- 20. Entrance table
- 30. Exit table
- 40. Entrance slot
- 50. Pressure lever
- 60. Top cover
- 70. Right side cover
- 80. Left side cover
- 90. Control panel
- 100. Lamination base
- 110. Embossing belt
- 115. Embossing mark
- 120. Upper lamination roller
- 130. Lower lamination roller
- 140. Imaged receiver sheet
- 145. Support layer
- 150. First support layer

- 160. Receiver stock
- 170. Second support layer
- 190. Thermal mark
- 195. Pressure mark
- 200. Pre-press proof
- ~~220. Glossing sheet~~
- 230. Pre-press proof with a thermal mark
- 240. Pre-laminate sheet
- ~~250. Pre laminated pre press proof~~
- ~~260. Pre laminated glossy pre press proof~~
- 270. Release layer
- 274. First release layer
- 278. Second release layer
- 280. Aluminized layer
- 290. Image
- 300. Print layer
- 304. First print layer
- ~~308. Second print layer~~
- 310. Support base
- 314. First support base
- ~~318. Second support base~~
- 320. Plastic cover sheet
- ~~330. Overlaid pre press proof with a thermal mark~~
- ~~340. Glossy pre press proof~~
- 350. Pre-laminated receiver stock
- ~~360. Sheet of plastic~~
- ~~370. Recycled support layer~~
- ~~380. Print Media~~
- ~~390. Identifying mark~~

Amendments to the Drawings:

Figures 1 and 2 stand objected to because they are not labeled as “prior art”. Applicants have submitted proposed amendments to Figures 1 and 2 indicating them as “Prior Art.” Accordingly, Applicant respectfully request withdrawal of the objection.

The drawings are further objected to because they do not include the following reference signs mentioned in the description: 220, 250, 260, 308, 318, 330, 340, 360, 370, 380 and 390. The numerals have been deleted from the Specification and the Parts List.

In addition, the drawings are objected to because Figure 7 includes reference numeral 8, which is not discussed in the detailed description. Applicants have submitted an amendment to Figure 7 whereby the reference numeral 8 has been deleted. The Replacement Figures have been included with this Response. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully request withdrawal of the objection.

A copy of the formal drawings are submitted herewith with a copy of the Letter to the Official Draftsperson which incorporates the changes required by the Examiner. Approval by the Examiner is respectfully requested.

Attachments: Replacement Figures 1, 2, and 7

Annotated Sheets Showing Changes